

Amended Claims

1. (Currently Amended) An arm protection apparatus for positioning a patient's arms when in a prone or supine position on a patient support comprising:

- (a) ~~at least one soft cushion~~ a one-piece foam pad with a central portion positionable under the patient's body;
- (b) on said ~~at least one soft cushion~~ one-piece foam pad, a soft cushion pad right arm upper section positionable around an upper right arm of a patient including means for attaching said ~~soft cushion pad~~ right arm upper section to said central portion of said ~~at least one soft cushion~~ one-piece foam pad so that said ~~soft cushion pad~~ right arm upper section is folded around a patient's upper right arm;
- (c) on said ~~at least one soft cushion~~ one-piece foam pad, a left ~~soft cushion pad~~ arm upper section positionable around an upper left arm of a patient including means for attaching said left arm ~~soft cushion pad~~ upper section to said central portion of said ~~at least one soft cushion~~ one-piece foam pad so that said ~~soft cushion pad~~ left arm upper section is folded around a patient's upper left arm;
- (d) on said ~~at least one soft cushion~~ one-piece foam pad, a right ~~soft cushion pad~~ arm lower section positionable around a lower right arm of a patient including means for attaching said ~~soft cushion pad~~ right arm lower section to said central portion of said ~~at least one soft cushion~~ one-piece foam pad so that said ~~soft cushion pad~~ right arm lower section is folded around a patient's lower right arm;
- (e) on said ~~at least one soft cushion~~ one-piece foam pad, a ~~soft cushion pad~~ left arm lower section positionable around a lower left arm of a patient including means for attaching said ~~soft cushion pad~~ left arm lower section to said central portion of said ~~at least one soft cushion~~ one-piece foam pad so that said ~~soft cushion pad~~ left arm lower section is folded around a patient's lower left arm.
- (f) for said right arm upper section, said left arm upper section, right arm lower section, left arm lower section at least one of said sections has a pre-cut portion for exposure of a patient's arm.

2. Canceled.

3. (Currently Amended) An arm protection apparatus for positioning a patient's arms when in a prone or supine position on a patient support of Claim 1 wherein said ~~soft-cushion-pad~~ right upper arm section means for attaching, said ~~soft-cushion-pad~~ left arm upper section means for attaching, said ~~soft-cushion-pad~~ right arm lower section means for attaching, and said ~~soft-cushion-pad~~ left arm lower section means for attaching ~~readily attach and detach~~ comprises hook-and-eye Velcro™-like tape attachment whereby said ~~soft-cushion-pad~~ right arm upper section, ~~soft-cushion-pad~~ left arm upper section, ~~soft-cushion-pad~~ right arm lower section, and ~~soft-cushion-pad~~ left arm lower section may be easily and quickly attached and detached from said central portion of said ~~at least one soft-cushion~~ one-piece foam pad.

4. (Currently Amended) An arm protection apparatus for positioning a patient's arms when in a prone or supine position on a patient support of Claim 3 wherein said ~~at least one soft-cushion~~ one-piece foam pad is radiolucent.

5. (Currently Amended) An arm protection apparatus for positioning a patient's arms when in a prone or supine position on a patient support of Claim 4 wherein said ~~at least one soft-cushion~~ one-piece foam pad is comprised of a first rectangular section, a second rectangular section, with said first and second rectangular sections connected thereby forming a generally H shape with said ~~soft-cushion-pad~~ right arm upper section, ~~soft-cushion-pad~~ left arm upper section, ~~soft-cushion-pad~~ right arm lower section, and ~~soft-cushion-pad~~ left arm lower section comprising legs of said general H shape.

6. (Original) An arm protection apparatus for positioning a patient's arms when in a prone or supine position on a patient support of Claim 5 wherein said generally H shape has a width approximately equal to the length of a patient's torso.

7. (Currently Amended) An arm protection apparatus for positioning at least one arm of a patient comprising:

- (a) at least one central ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam pad, said central ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam sized to be positioned under the torso of a patient;
- (b) attached on said central ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam pad, at least one arm section ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam pad with an arm end extending away from said central ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam pad, said at least one arm section ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam pad sized to loop around at least a portion of an arm of a patient;
- (c) means for attaching said arm end of said at least one arm section ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam pad to said central ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam pad whereby at least a portion of an arm of a patient may be contained within said at least one arm section ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam pad looped around an arm of a patient and held into place in proximity to a patient's torso.
- (d) on said at least one arm section foam pad a pre-cut portion for exposure of a patient's arm.

8. (Currently Amended) An arm protection apparatus for positioning at least one arm of a patient of Claim 7 wherein said central ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam pad is sized whereby there are a plurality of said arm section ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam pads.

9. (Currently Amended) An arm protection apparatus for positioning at least one arm of a patient of Claim 8 wherein said plurality of arm section ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam pads are radiolucent.

10. (Currently Amended) An arm protection apparatus for positioning at least one arm of a patient of Claim 9 wherein said means for attaching ~~readily attach and detach~~ further comprises hook-and-eye Velcro™-like tape whereby said plurality of arm section ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam pads may be quickly used to secure a patient's arm or to unsecure a patient's arm in proximity to a patient's torso.

11. Canceled.

12. (Currently Amended) An arm protection apparatus for positioning at least one arm of a patient of Claim 11 wherein there are four arm section ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam pads attached to said central ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam pad, each arm section ~~cushion~~ one-piece foam pads sized to fit around approximately one-half of a patient's arm.